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In re Application of: Soerens et al.	
Application No. 09/579,842	) )
Filing Date: May 26, 2000	) Examiner Mullis )
For MOISTURE-INDUCED POLY(ETHYLENE OXIDE) GEL, METHOD OF MAKING SAME AND ARTICLES USING SAME	) Group Art Unit No. 1711 ) ) )

## SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

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Dear Sir:

This provides a further Response to Applicant's response filed January 30, 2004.

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